Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification, as follows:

[0022] The BCE 3 comprises a user agent server part 4 for exchanging messages with the first SIP user agent 1 and a user agent client part 5̶ 9 for exchanging messages with the second SIP user agent 2. These components are standard SIP components as defined in RFC 3261.

[0025] The call router 6 receives session request messages from the user agent server part 4 and in response generates an appropriate session request message for the user agent client part 5̶ 9.

[0026] The call router 6 uses information contained in the store 5 to substitute SIP URI and Media Stream addresses in the request messages received from the user agent client part 5̶ 9 with appropriate new addresses in the messages passed to the user agent client part 5̶ 9 for transmission onwards in the network.

[0028] All messages sent from the user agent server part 4 to the call router 6 and from the call router 6 to the user agent part 5̶ 9 pass via a session controller 7. The session controller 7 thus interacts with the call router 6 on one side and with the user agent server part and the user agent client part on the other side, to keep track of session states and progress. Therefore the session controller 7 behaves like a state machine automat, acting on the user agent session states and routing messages.